WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

6:00 PM WORKSHOP/EXECUTIVE SESSION 7:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

November 19, 2018

The meeting was called to order and opened at 7:01 PM by Mayor Wisniewski. Requirements of the Sunshine Law were read. This meeting was advertised in the Burlington County Times on November 1, 2018. The flag was saluted and there was a moment of silence.

Roll Call:

Committeewoman Burkley Present
Committeeman Henley Present
Committeewoman Hynes Present
Committeewoman Smith-Hartman Present
Mayor Wisniewski Present

Walter Denson, Solicitor, was present. Marion Karp, Clerk, was present.

Approve Agenda – motion to amend the agenda to add Resolution 153-18 made by Ms. Hynes; seconded by Mr. Henley, all voted yes. Motion to approve the agenda made by Ms. Hynes; seconded by Mr. Henley, all voted yes.

Minutes of the 10/16/18 meeting – motion to approve made by Ms. Hynes; seconded by Mr. Henley, all voted yes. Closed session minutes of 10/16/18 – motion to approve by Ms. Hynes, seconded by Mr. Henley, all voted yes, Ms. Burkley abstained. Workshop session minutes of 10/16/19 – motion to approve by Ms. Hynes; second by Mr. Henley, all voted yes.

Scheduled Appointments

Resolution 151-18 - Appoint Westampton Township Police Dept. Sergeant. Motion to approve made by Ms. Hynes; second by Mr. Henley. All voted yes. Mayor John Wisniewski swore in Linda Chieffalo as Police Sergeant.

Resolution 150-18 - Retirement of K9 Robi. Motion to approve by Ms. Hynes; second by Mr. Henley. All voted yes.

Police Chief Stephen Ent presented Shaun Welthy with a plaque for the retirement of the dog.

At this point, a 10-minute break was taken for refreshments.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

No comments were made.

New Business

Engineers Status Report

Lung Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation – Mayor Wisniewski presented the proclamation to Vernard Cabbler, a resident of Westampton who is very active in promoting lung cancer awareness.

Ordinances

None

Resolutions

- 143-18 Payment of Vouchers this resolution approves the payment of bills through 11/19/18. Motion to approve by Ms. Hynes; second by Mr. Henley. All voted yes.
- 144-18 Appoint Fund Commissioner this resolution appoints Stephen Ent as Municipal Fund Commissioner. Motion to approve by Mr. Henley; second by Ms. Hynes. All voted yes.
- 145-18 Submit Grant Application Chapter 159, Bullet Proof Vest Grant this resolution approves the insertion of a special item of revenue into the 2018 budget, \$593.30, Bullet Proof Vest Grant. Motion to approve by Ms. Hynes; second by Mr. Henley. All voted yes.
- 146-18 Refund Taxes, Block 401.01, Lot 28 this resolution refunds 1st & 2nd quarter taxes on a property declared exempt by the Tax Assessor for a 100% disabled Veteran, amount is \$1,928.48. Motion to approve by Ms. Hynes; second by Mr. Henley. All voted yes.
- 147-18 Refund & Cancel Taxes, Block 401.01, Lot 37 this resolution refunds 3rd quarter and cancels 4th quarter taxes on a property declared exempt by the Tax Assessor for a 100% disabled Veteran, amount is \$2,121.96. Nancy Burkley asked if this was put in as a line item in the budget; John Wisniewski answered that there was not. It seems as if we are approving these so often. Motion to approve by Mr. Henley; second by Ms. Hynes. All voted yes.
- 148-18 Cancel Taxes, Block 1102.01, Lot 35 this resolution cancels 3rd & 4th quarter taxes on a property declared exempt by the Tax Assessor for a 100%

disabled Veteran, amount is \$3,756.74. Motion to approve by Mr. Henley; second by Ms. Hynes. All voted yes.

149-18 Establish Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer – this resolution appoints Detective Robert Austin as Westampton Township's Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer due to the disbanding of the ASPCA. Motion to approve by Ms. Hynes; second by Mr. Henley. All voted yes.

152-18 Refund Taxes, Block 1001.01, Lot 138 – this resolution refunds 1st & 2nd quarter taxes on a property declared exempt by the Tax Assessor for a 100% disabled Veteran, amount is \$4,748.16. Motion to approve by Mr. Henley; second by Ms. Hynes. All voted yes.

153-18 Administrator Separation Agreement – this resolution sets forth the particular elements in the separation agreement between the Township of Westampton and Maria Carrington. Motion to approve by Ms. Hynes; seconded by Ms. Burkley. All voted yes.

Correspondence

Letter of thanks, Ryan Peters, Assemblyman

BURLCO JIF – Elected Official's Seminar (3/21/19, O'Connor's, Eastampton)

Letter of response from Burlington County re: traffic signals/speed limit/signage

Committee Liaison Reports

Mr. Henley – it was a successful fall festival despite the weather conditions

Ms. Hynes – the next HPC meeting is being held on Nov. 28 @ 7 PM, Dec. 10 is the next school board meeting @ WMS

Dates to Remember

December 6, 2018 – Westampton Township's Annual Senior Citizen's Holiday Dinner, Westampton Middle School, 6 PM

December 15 - Westampton Recreation's Breakfast with Santa, WMS, 9 – 11 AM

December 18, 19, 20 – WTES Santa Run – 6 PM

Open to public Comment

No comments were made.

Committee Members Comments

Ms. Burkley – congratulations to those who were elected, she wished them well. She thanked Police Chief Steve Ent regarding the signage posted on Springside Road, she hopes it will help the situation.

Ms. Hynes – congratulations to Sgt. Chieffalo and of course K9 Robi, Happy Thanksgiving to all

Mr. Henley – congratulations to Linda on her promotion; he wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Ms. Smith-Hartman - wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving

Mayor Wisniewski – congratulations to Linda, it's been 18 long years since we had a female sergeant. Robi's retirement is well deserved. Thanks to the newly elected officials for becoming involved in the community.

Resolution 11-19-18a for Closed Session to discuss litigation. Motion to go into closed session made by Ms. Burkley, seconded by Ms. Hynes. All voted yes.

The Committee went back into open session at 8:52 PM. With there being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Burkley and seconded by Ms. Smith Hartman. All voted yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Karp, Municipal Clerk